

# ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, BS

for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

The **Elementary Education, BS** prepares teachers for grades one through six. A minimum of 120 semester hours is necessary for graduation.

Students pursuing teacher licensure programs in the College of Education must meet requirements in a series of sequential gateways. Included in the gateway requirements are successful completion of specified coursework, achievement of appropriate grade point averages, requirements for clinical experiences, and appropriate tests for the licensure area. Meeting all Gateway requirements leads to degree and licensure completion.

In order to be recommended for licensure, candidates are required to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 (A=4.0). Candidates in teaching licensure programs must maintain a C- or better in ALL content and professional education coursework. For teacher education licensure requirements applicable to all curricula, see the Council on Teacher Education (<http://www.cote.illinois.edu/>). Licensure requirements are subject to change without notice as a result of new mandates from the Illinois State Board of Education or the Illinois General Assembly.

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## Graduation Requirements

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

Requirements for licensure: Minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.5 (A=4.0); Receive a grade of C- or better in licensure coursework.

## University Requirements

Minimum of 40 hours of upper-division coursework, generally at the 300- or 400-level. These hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree. Students should consult their academic advisor for additional guidance in fulfilling this requirement.

The university and residency requirements can be found in the Student Code (<https://studentcode.illinois.edu/article3/part8/3-801/>) (§ 3-801) and in the Academic Catalog (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/>).

## General Education Requirements

Follows the campus General Education (Gen Ed) requirements (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/>). Some Gen Ed requirements may be met by courses required and/or electives in the program.

Code	Title	Hours
	Composition I	4-6
	Advanced Composition	3
	fulfilled by EDUC 202	
	Humanities & the Arts (6 hours)	6
	fulfilled by EDUC 202 and any other course approved as Humanities & the Arts	

Natural Sciences & Technology (6 hours)	6
fulfilled by Life Science & Physical Science Requirement	
Social & Behavioral Sciences (6 hours)	6
fulfilled by EPSY 201 and any other course approved as Social & Behavioral Science	
Cultural Studies: Non-Western Cultures (1 course)	3
Cultural Studies: US Minority Cultures (1 course)	3
fulfilled by EDUC 201	
Cultural Studies: Western/Comparative Cultures (1 course)	3
Quantitative Reasoning (2 courses, one course must be a Quantitative Reasoning I)	6-10
fulfilled by MATH 103; MATH 117 or STAT 100	
Language Requirement (Completion of the third semester or equivalent of a language other than English is required)	0-15

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>College of Education Requirement</b>		
EDUC 101	Education Orientation Seminar	1

Code	Title	Hours
<b>College Algebra Standard Requirement</b>		
	All students must demonstrate proficiency of the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) college algebra standard upon matriculation, or enroll in college-level algebra. Refer to an academic advisor for more information.	0 or 3

MATH 112	Algebra	
<b>Life &amp; Physical Science Requirement</b>		
	Life Science course	3-4
	Select any Gen Ed Natural Sciences & Technology - Life Science subcategory approved course	
	Physical Science course	3-4
	Select any Gen Ed Natural Sciences & Technology - Physical Science subcategory approved course	

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Elementary Education Requirements</b>		
CI 405	Introduction to Teaching Elementary Age Children	3
CI 406	Theory Practice in Elementary School Teaching I	3
CI 407	Theory Practice in Elementary School Teaching II	3
CI 415	Language Varieties, Cultures and Learning	3
CI 430	Teaching Children Mathematics	3
CI 432	Investigative Approach to Elementary Mathematics Instruction	3
CI 448	Teaching Elementary Social Studies	3
CI 450	Teaching Elementary Science I	3
CI 451	Teaching Elementary Science II	3
CI 452	Social Studies as Action and Inquiry	3
CI 467	Principles in Teaching Literature to Children and Youth	3
CI 475	Teaching Elementary Reading and Language Arts I	3

CI 476	Teaching Elementary and Middle Grade Language Arts	3
EDUC 201	Identity and Difference in Education	3
EDUC 202	Social Justice, School and Society	3
EDPR 250	School & Community Experiences (Enrollment required for 0 hours and 4 hours two different semesters)	4
EDPR 432	Ed Prac in EC & ELED	12
EPSY 201	Educational Psychology	3
FAA 202	Artsful Teaching through Integ	3
HK 263	Children's Movement	3
MATH 103	Theory of Arithmetic	4
MATH 117 or STAT 100	Elementary Mathematics Statistics	3 or 4
SPED 405	General Educator's Role in Special Education	3

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## Sample Sequence

This sample sequence is intended to be used only as a guide for degree completion. All students should work individually with their academic advisors to decide the actual course selection and sequence that works best for them based on their academic preparation and goals. Enrichment programming such as study abroad, minors, internships, and so on may impact the structure of this four-year plan. Course availability is not guaranteed during the semester indicated in the sample sequence.

Students must fulfill their Language Other Than English requirement by successfully completing a third level of a language other than English. For more information, see the corresponding section on the Degree and General Education Requirements page (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/general-information/degree-general-education-requirements/>).

This sample sequence assumes that students will have demonstrated college algebra proficiency through high school or previous college coursework as required by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) upon matriculation, or students must enroll in MATH 112.

First Year	
First Semester	Hours
EDUC 101	1
EDUC 201	3
Composition I or Language Other Than English (3rd level)	4
Life Science course	3
General Education course	3
<b>Total Hours 14</b>	

First Year	
Second Semester	Hours
Language Other than English (3rd level) or Composition I	4
MATH 117 or STAT 100	4
General Education course	3

General Education course	3
Elective course	3
<b>Total Hours 17</b>	

Second Year	
First Semester	Hours
CI 415	3
EPSY 201	3
MATH 103	4
General Education course	3
Elective course	3
<b>Total Hours 16</b>	

Second Year	
Second Semester	Hours
EDUC 202	3
HK 263	3
Physical Science course	3
Elective course	3
Elective course	3
<b>Total Hours 15</b>	

Third Year	
First Semester	Hours
CI 405	3
CI 430	3
CI 450	3
CI 467	3
<b>Total Hours 12</b>	

Third Year	
Second Semester	Hours
CI 432	3
CI 448	3
CI 451	3
CI 475	3
EDPR 250	0
FAA 202	3
<b>Total Hours 15</b>	

Fourth Year	
First Semester	Hours
CI 406	3
CI 452	3
CI 476	3
EDPR 250	4

SPED 405	3
	<b>16</b>

**Total Hours 16**

#### Fourth Year

Second Semester	Hours
CI 407	3
EDPR 432	12
	<b>15</b>

**Total Hours 15**

**Total Hours: 120**

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1. Students will acquire deep knowledge of content in the field of Education.
2. Students will demonstrate awareness and application of the Illinois Culturally Responsive Teaching and Leading (CRTL) standards in their teacher preparation course work and field experiences.
3. Students will display the expectations of professionalism related to success in the field of education and beyond (fairness, commitment to collaboration, community, reflective practice, and attention to 21st century skills and practices).

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